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## BIG BATTLE RAGES ON BRITISH FRON

### WILSON DEMANDS VIRTUAL SURRENDER BOCHE OFFERS STUBBORN RESISTANCE TO ENGLISH DISARMAMENT OF Handles Germans' Leads America's Peace Feelers

# **IMPOSSIBLE**

Practical Ultimatum in Negotiations With U. S. Alone is Now on Way to Berlin-Up to Allies Now.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.-No

in informing the new spokesman of Germany that he has acceded to their request that be take up with the allies their plea for an armistice and peace negotiations.

tice and peace negotiations.

The president's reply to the latest German note has gone on its way to Berlin. It was delivered to Frederick Cederlin. Swiss charge here, last night at 9 o'clock, and soon afterward was on the cables in plain English, no time heing lost to convert the president's uncompromising sontences into code.

Apparently the exchange which had been in progress between Washington and the allied capitals since the wireless version of the German communication was picked up Monday terminated late in the afternoon, enabling the president to reply just 11 hours after the official text had been delivered.

Assurances of the present authorities at Berlin that they represent authorities at Berlin that they accept the conditions of peace he has laid down, and that the German aspect here rules of civilized warfare, are accepted by the president as only changing the situation involved to the nations with which the United States is associated in the war.

Speaks Plainly.

of the president emphasized today is that the president and the United States now are through with separate dealings with the German authorities. The whole situation is before the co-belligerent governments and future announcements will be of the United States and allied covernments still be of the United States and allied will be of the United States and allied governments acting in concert.

President Wilson's reply was sent broadcast to the world from the Arlington naval radio towers last night after the official text had been put on the cables. If not picked up directly by the great German station at Nauen, it undoubtedly was relayed from other points in Europe in time to reach Berlin this morning.

## BRITISH CABINET MEETS TO DISCUSS MESSAGE

LONDON, Oct. 24.—The British cabinet met this morning, presumably to discuss President Wilson's reply to Germany. The reply was received by the foreign office from the British embassy was washington.

### CALL NEGROES FOR WAR WORK SESSION

All negroes connected with the united war work drive that is to take place in the Western division, which will include Memphis and Shelby county, have been called to meet at Church's auditorium Friday, Oct., 23, at 2 o'clock to perfect plans for the drive beginning Nov. 11. All negro teachers in the city and county, all pastors, all members of women's cub and officers of all lodges are requested to be present. Dr. A. E. Clement, secretary for Tenessee, and B. M. Roddy, secretary for the Western division, will coduct the conference and ask that all workers and interested parties be present.

## **GERMANY WOULD** BE HUGE PROBLEM

Washington Discussing Possible Effect of Final Note From Wilson and What Its Terms Will Mean.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 21.-Discussion centered here today on probable terms armistice, except under conditions of an armistice which may be formu-of surrender. No peace with the lated by the allied and American millkinser and his war lords, now or tary advisers after the allied governments have considered the German pro-Thus President Wilson has given posals transmitted by President Wilson. in advance his own final decision it was generally assumed by army offieers that the president already has ascertained the willingness of the allied governments to submit the matter to

certained the willingness of the ailled governments to submit the matter to mflitary men.

Military opinion here is that Mr. Wilson has expressed the basic idea upon which an immediate aspiratioe can be reached. The terms to render the German military power on land and sea absolutely impotent must be worked out by the supreme war council.

It will be the mission of the military advisers to translate general principles into concrete terms of fortresses to be occupied, submarine bases to be placed under guard, munitions plants to be dismantled and strategic rail lines to be secured against German use. Since an armistice on allied terms means an end of the war, attention also must be given to demobilization of the German army. In itself a long process, since the great force could not be turned back to civil life overnight.

The machinery for formulation of the terms already exists. The military and naval boards of the supreme war council at Versailles furnish the natural avenue for the assessing of the views of the military leaders and bringing them into harmony in a definite statement of the conditions upon which fighting could come to an end. Marshal Foch, as supreme commander, and Gens. Petain. Halg, Pershing, Diaz and Gillian, the Belgian chief of staff, are ex-officio members of the naval board.

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Speaks Plainly.

In doing this, without minding words, he tells these authorities, and, through them, the German people, that the oild come to an end, Marsna, the conditions authorities, and, through them, the German people, that the oild come to an end, Marsna, the conditions are superior of their words are minding to the four great and armistice that will make it impossible for Germany the submission to terms of an armistice that will make it impossible for Germany they and that until he and the first the fallend governments will be preparing for the next move, which his ultimatum is sinsing home of the first the fallend States. Practice of the submarines and the German the accepted by Germany. If they do he will be submarines and the German high seas of the submarines and the German hi all the co-belligerents and when the necessary conditions to render the German military machine powerless for harm have been formulated, the program will be forwarded to Berlin.

Note Writing Over.

One point that those in the confidence of the president emphasized today is that the president and the United States now are through with separate dealings.

what fortresses on the German-Bel-

What fortresses on the German-Belgian frontier might later be required for occupation is not so clear, since it is thought that in any case the reservation of the Rhine road to Berlin by the occupation of Metz and possibly Strasburg might make precautions in the north less essential.

Other obvious requirement would be, it is thought, surrender by Austria to the Italians of fortresses in the Alps that guard the Austrian border and the road to Vienna; probable evacuation of the whole east coast of the Adriatic and the occupation of such bases as would bottle up Austrian naval power completely in that sea. Possibly the surrender of their naval base of Trieste might be demanded.

To safeguard Rumania and enforce peace conditions in Russia, it was said, the road to the Black sea must be cleared, which would require surrender by the Turks of the fortresses of the Dardanelles. Surrender also of Russian tattleships and destroyers in the Black sea, seized by the Germans would be demanded. It was thought, and possibly the surrender of Turkish warcraft as well.

## ACCIDENT IS FATAL TO JIMMIE CROWE



DR. FREDERICK GEDERLIN. Dr. Frederick Oederlin is in charge of the Swiss legation in Washington. Germany's peace feelers and Wilson's query and reply were sent through the hands of Oederlin, as a neutral coun-

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MISSISSIPPI.

Killed in action: Private William G.
Crosby, Cleveland.
Died of disease: Corporals Harry H.
Banks, Porest; Henry Davis, Hemburg.
Wounded severely: Privates Ivy Weaver, R. F. D. 2. Amory; X. L. Nicholson, Union.

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son, Union.

Killed in action: Private Walter Dol-lar, Paragould.
Died from wounds: Private Joe B.
Collins, Shirley.
Died of disease: Privates Frank Mil-ler Wiley, R. F. D. 1, Lowell: Samuel Ankrum, R. F. D. 3, Forrest City.

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## OLD MARKET BASKET TO COME INTO STYLE

Carry your basket to market and save paper sacks. The Associated Re-tailers of Memphis, acting upon the sug-gestion of the wars industries board, has inaugurated a paper saving cam-

paign.

The return of the market basket to the commercial world, merchants figure, will save a vast amount of paper, since articles purchased can be placed directly in the baskets, saving the necessity of wrapping them or placing them in sacks.

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But it is not the customers alone who will be asked to save on paper. The merchants have been asked to save on wrapping paper by using such paper as is available from the packages that come to them. They are asked to eliminate as far as possible tissue paper from packing. Fancy boxes and all other pasteboard boxes for Christmas packages are to go by the boards to as great an extent as possible.

For correspondence the business men great an extent as possible.
For correspondence the business men are saked to use lighter grades of paper and smaller envelopes. They are asked to use half sheets for short letpaper in longer epistles. When it is necessary that carbon copies of paper be made they are requested to use the backs of old letters for record purposes.

Truly the newspaper world is not Truly the newspaper wor! lonesome in paper shortages.

## MAY CHANGE BONDS

James R., better know as "Jimmie, Crewe is dead in France. He was a was selected by this among those with whom he came no contact while in Menphis. mingling was killed in an every received by the problem of the contact while in Menphis. mingling was killed in an every received by the problem of the contact while in Menphis. mingling was killed in an every received by the problem of the contact while in Menphis. mingling was killed in the average received by the problem of the commercial appeal, where the graduated with the B. of direct and the contact while in Menphis and the contact whi

## Hungary to Apply for Peace Direct to Allies

PARIS, Oct. 24 .- Hungary intends to apply direct to the entente governments to ascertain on what terms they will grant an armistice and peace to Hungary, it is reported in political circles

in Budapest, according to a Zurich dispatch to the Journal, Austria-Hungary already is reconciled to the idea of uncon-ditional capitulation, says a Vienna dispatch to the Frankfort Zei tung, because Vienna is threatened with famine, the authorities are powerless and laws are no longer enforced

Conditions Still Improve, However, Says Official

Despite improved in menua conditions. Dr. Neumon Taylor, superintendent of the city board of health, said Thursday the closing order affecting churches, places of amusements and courts will not be lifted this week.

Dr. Taylor told Mayor Frank L. Mone teverde that now is the most critical time of the epidemic and that it will be unwise to open the schools or other places. The bau will be lifted as soon as the health department believes it safe.

From 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon to noon Thursday there were 26 new cases reported to the board, against 27 new cases covering the same period Tuesday. Total cases reported since Sept. 30 are 5,555.

There is a big drop in the death list. At noon Thursday 12 deaths from pneumonia and two from influenza were resported. When the board closed its offices at 4 o clock Wednesday evening 33 deaths had been reported for the preceding 24 hours.

All physicians treating pneumonia and influenza patients said they found conditions improving very fast.

The board will continue its order keeping officers in railroad depots to compet persons to move about and to see that waiting rooms are properly ventilated.

The funeral services for Dr. Porter Johnston, who died early Wednesday morning at his home, 14 North Waldran boulevard, were conducted Thursday afternoon by Dean DeVall of St. Mary's Episcopal cathedral, of which Dr. Johnston was a devoted member. was buried in Elmwood cemetery. Dr. Johnston

Johnston was a devoted member. He was buried in Elmwood cemetery.
Dr. Johnston was a scion of the leading families of North Mississippi, who moved there from North Alabama in 1827, furnishing all of their boys to the Confederate service.
His parents moved to Memphis when he was a boy, but he remained in Batesville in the employ of his uncle, Marshall Jones. After Jones' death he went to work for Walter Keith, During his residence at Batesville he received his preparation for Vanderbilt university under Prof. Sam Walker, He entered Vanderbilt university under Prof. Sam Walker, He entered Vanderbilt university in 1900 and after graduation in the dental department was associated with Dr. W. T. Arrington for a number of Years and then opened an office for himself. He was the eldest son of Stephen D. and Ahma Nesbit Johnston, of DeSoto county, Miss. He married Miss Posey Blanker six years ago, His mother died in February, 1916. Surviving him are his wife, his father, a brother, Fred S., and two sisters, Mrs. Nina Postal and Mrs. Irma LeClerc, all of Memphis.

### **CONSTITUENTS WANT TO** KNOW WHO'S SENATOR

GRENADA, Miss., Oct. 24 (Spl.) There is a joke on somebody concerning the sensitor for this senatorial distri-capt. J. A. Blount, now in overse service, was elected senator in 1915. Lapt. Blount's successor at the election held in the district early in January. Carothers was present at the sitting of the legislature last January. February and March. A few days ago, however, the election commissioners of Grenada county received an order from to fill the vacancy caused by Senator Blount's resignation.

Senator Carothers will no doubt want a judicial inquiry as to why he is not regarded as legally filling the place first honored by Senator Blount, or perhaps, Carothers' constituents may desire to know where he was at the last sitting of the legislature, when they thought that he was in Jackson. Or, perhaps the constituency of this district way conclude that the governor of the state who had killed several perhap been keeping company with his district way conclude that the governor of the state on the state convict farm when killed Weakley shot Vance and then robbed the store user that he was in Jackson. Or, perhaps the constituency of this district way conclude that the governor of the state who had killed several perhap been keeping company with his district way conclude that the governor of the state who had killed several perhaps the convict farm when killed Weakley shot Vance and then robbed the store. Six deaths and 260 cases of influenza were reported from the farm today.

### Admits Last Man Needed By Berlin If War Continues

BASEL, Oct. 24 -After the speech of ince Maximilian, Deputy Karl Herold.

Ground Schooling Flights and Other Subjects Must Be Mastered.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—The course greater numbers by Gen. Pershing be-

## FLU QUARANTINE IN MISSISSIPPI NEAR END

JACKSON, Miss. Oct. 24. (Spi.)—Rigid quarantines are still in effect all over Mississippi to hold the influenza epidemic in cheek, but health officials here are satisfied the state has passed the creat of the epidemic, and expect rapid improvement from now on. All colleges are practically clear of the disease, and the mertality rate generally is decreasing. There has been a marked decrease in the past few days in the number of new cases.

The quarantine is expected to be lifted about the middle of next week.

## SHOE DEALERS CUT

New Second Army



GENERAL BULLARD.

(By the Associated Press.) Field Marshal Haig's Third and Fourth armies, having smashed through the outer defenses of the strategically Important German line south of Valen

the outer defenses of the strategically important German line south of Valenciennes, continues successfully to hammer their way toward Maubeuge and Mons.

Today's attack started from the new front gained Wednesday in advance of between three and four miles on a front of 15 miles, in which more than 6,000 prisoners and many guns were reported to have been taken. The enemy is resisting stubbornly, but the British have forging ahead, capturing villages and other important points.

West of Maubeuge the British have taken more than 6,000 prisoners and many guns in their new attack, begin vesterday morning on the front begin was stabled. There was sharp fighting at Bousies less than 18 miles from Mons and dabout 16 from Maubeuge.

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ing the Germans in the streets of the town, but plan to outflank it. The town now is partly surrounded and the menace to it has been increased by the advance on the south and the capture of the entire Raismes forest to the north. The British thrust undoubtedly has badly shaken the German defenses south of Valenciennes, which are so important to the security of the German line northward to the Dutch border and south and east to the Meuse. Unless the enemy can hold the British attacks today it would seem they would have to continue their retreat in Belgium and also give up ground south and east of the Oise.

While the British are attacking north of the Oise. The Sambre canal has been crossed east of Grand Verly and the French have begun an offensive south of the Oise. The Sambre canal has been crossed east of Grand Verly and the French have maintained their gains against strong German counter-attacks. Between the Serre and the Oise and farther east the French maintain their pressure and have gained south of Monteornet.

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Infantry fighting has died down east of the Aisne in the region of Vouziers, the Germans having falled in strong efforts on Tuesday and Wednesday to disledge the French from strong height cositions. Gen. Gouraud now commands the important deflies north and south of the great forest of Boutt, north of the Argonne.

On the front west of the Meuse the Americans maintain the important pains

Americans maintain the important gains made Wednesday and are in a position to bring about a German retirement on the center and left of the line.

## THE WEATHER

Mississippi Fair and slightly cooler Arkansas Cloudy, colder; Friday fair, older in east.

Alahama-Fair, preceded by rain in outbeast, slightly cooler Friday.

Kentucky-Rain and cooler.

Okiahoma-Cloudy, colder, frost Fri-

Official Report of Rome Tells of Sudden Attack of French, Penetrating Enemy Lines

WITH THE ALLIED ARMIES IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM, Oct. 24. (By the Associated Press.) -Hard fighting is in progress all along the front of the British attack. The Germans everywhere are offering stubborn resistance.

and Getting Captives.

On the battle front south of Valenciennes the night was marked by incessant artillery duels. The British gunners paid special attention to the roads in the rear of hte German lines, which were crowded with eastbound traffic.

ROME, Oct. 24. French forces today penetrated enemy positions, taking more than 700 prisoners, the Italian official statement today says.

## BRITISH DRIVE RENEWED ALONG WHOLE OF FRONT

LONDON Oct. 24 — The attack of the British all along the front between the Sambre et Obse canal and the Scheldt was renewed this morning, according to today's official war office statement. The statement further says that sharp fighting continued up to a late hour yesterday evening on the entire batts front south of Valenciennes, where the British opened their attack yesterday norming. The British have crossed the Eraillon tiver and have captured the villages of Neuville, Salesches and

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## MORE THAN 6,000 HUNS TAKEN CAPTIVE BY HAIG

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PARIS, Oct. 24—The work of the American Red Cross in France was given recognition at a great demonstration at the amplitheater of the Sarbonne vesteriay. Louis Barthou presided. Henry P. Davison, chairman of the American Red Cross war council apoke. After praising the American Red Cross, M. Barthou lauded the lofty views of President Wilson and his conduct of negotiations with Germany. What Germany is seeking, he said, is an arhistice which will break the dash of the ailled armies before which her armies are succumbing. She seeks to paralyze the action of the united command and divide the entente. The only armistice possible is one which imposes capitulation upon Germany.

### **BODY OF MANAGER IS** FOUND IN FIRE RUINS

manufacturer, the jobber and the retailer, the chairman of the war industries board is able to announce, that an agreement has been reached whereby the public cost of shoes will be stabilized within the range of prices calculated to give a satisfactory quality on a reasonable profit.

"So as above stated, these shoe regulations do not go into effect until June 1, 1819, thus giving the retailers plenty of time to regulate their slocks with the least possible loss."

East Texas—Fair, colder

West Texas—Fair, colder

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## **BRISTOL NOW HAS 30** TYPHOID FEVER CASES

demic reached here and in Sullivan fever are appearing in the city. In one section of Bristol 30 cases were reported. Local physicians believe the present condition of the city water to be the cause. The public has been urged to boil the water for domestic and

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The Fresbyterian synod of Tenneasee was to have held its annual session at the Second Presbyterian church, beginning wednesday night, and to have joined in a celebration of the church's centennial, but owing to the epidemic of infinenza, Dr. S. T. Wilson, president of Maryville college, announces that the synod has been pogtponed for one year.

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PRAISE AT PARIS MEET

PARIS, Oct. 24—The work of the parish, oct. 24—The work of the last week or so.

### COOLER WEATHER AND MORE RAIN ON WAY

Mild drop in temperature is predicted by local United States weather fore-casters, who said Thursday two areas of high pressure, centering over the Middle West and Central Eastern states, are squeezing out the low pressure cov-ering West Tennessee, Louisiana, Mis-sissippi and part of Alabama, Eain is predicted Thursday night, but Friday is expected to be fair and coole Temperatures ranging from 32 to 35 cover Nebraska, Iowa, Colorado, Karsas and Missouri, Change to cooler weather in Memphis will be noticeable. Thursday night.